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Current Status of TAVR

What We Have Achieved

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Valvular heart interventions started as early as 1953

Rubio-Alvarez developed the first transcatheter valve intervention

Scroll saw for treatment of pulmonary valve stenosis

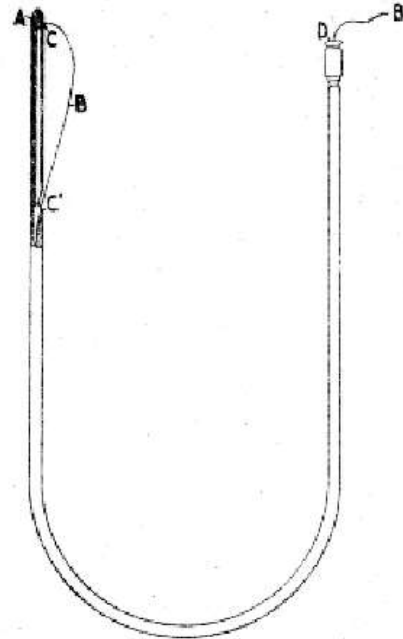


Fig. 1. Esquema del catéter especialmente adaptado para transformarlo en valvulotomo.

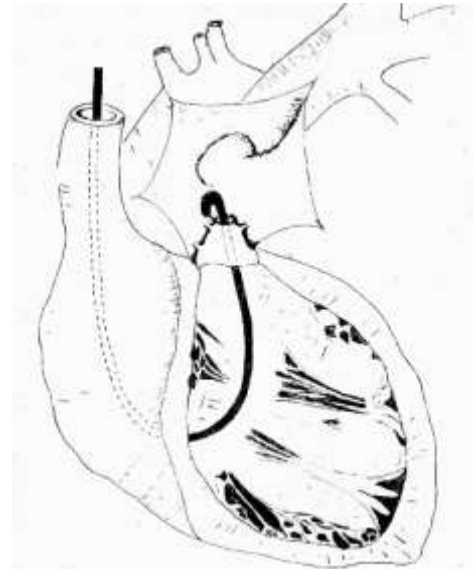
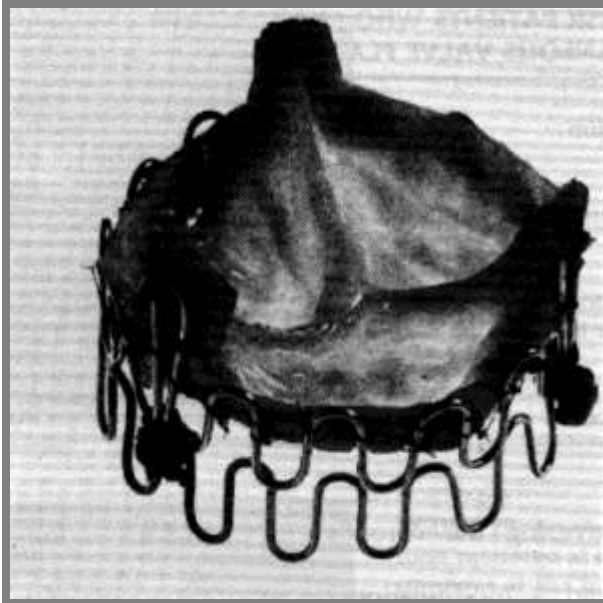
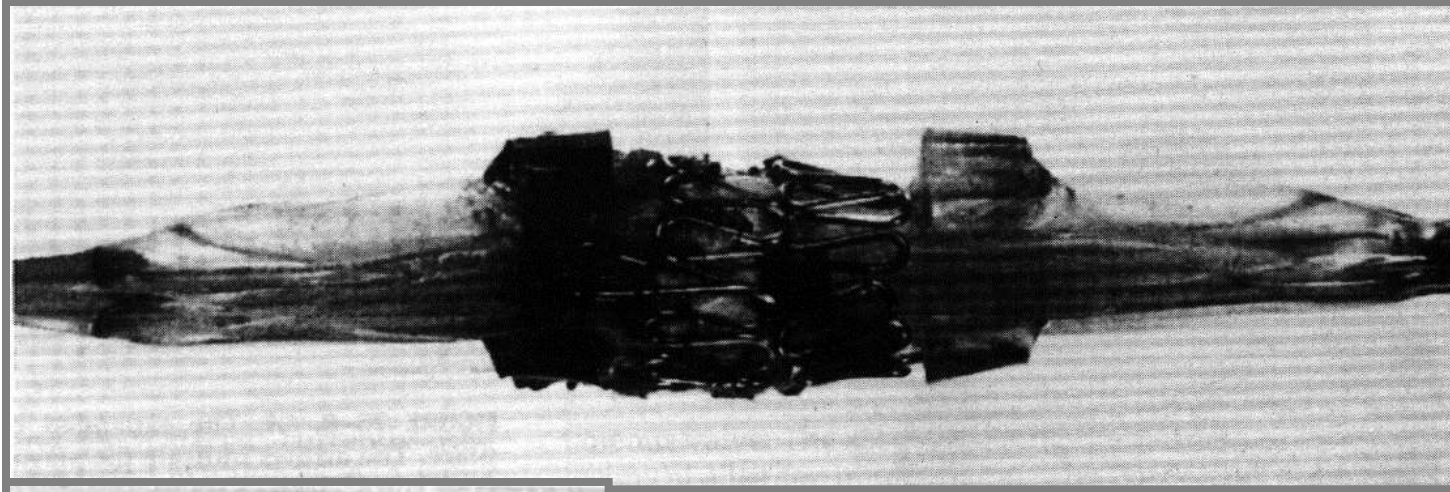


Fig. 2. Esquema del catéter en posición para llegar a calar la calcificación.



It took 50 years from the scroll saw to the first transcatheter valve implantations

Andersen- Valve (1992)



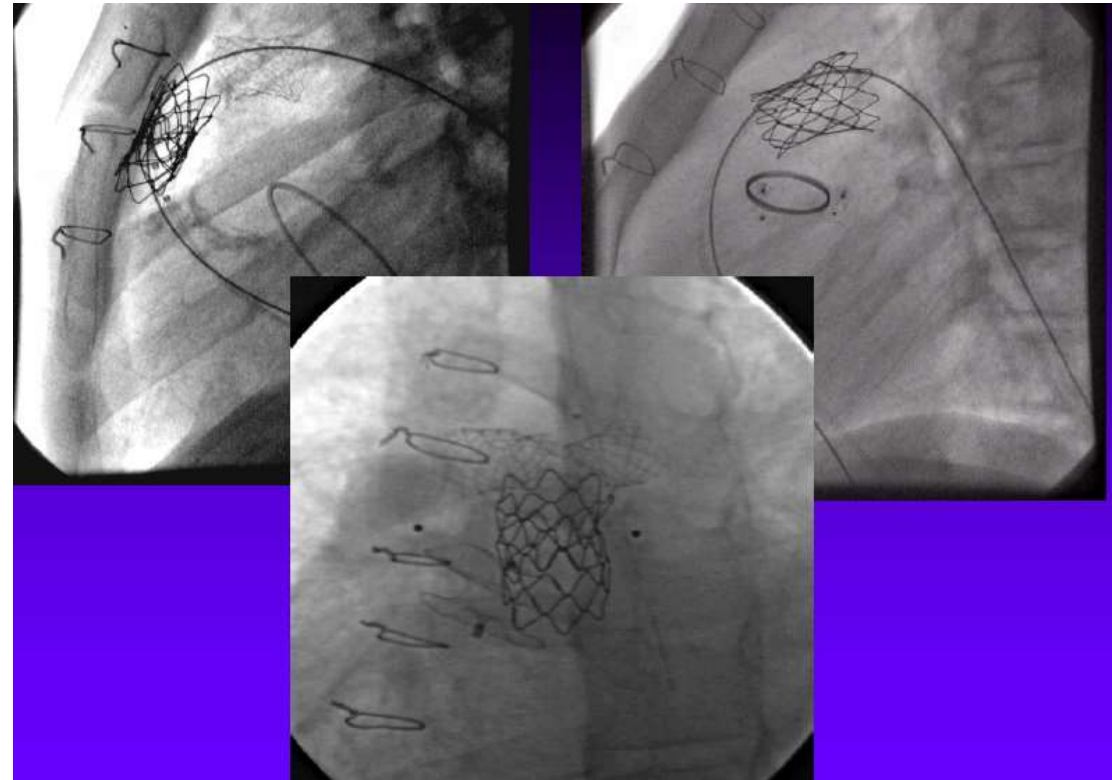
- In bench models and in animals
- Implantation into the descending and ascending aorta

Bonhoeffer, Oct. 2000

First percutaneous valve implantation



Bovine venous valve
Balloon expandable stent



Implanted into a pulmonary homograft

Alain Cribier: First Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI) April 16, 2002



April 16, 2002



8 days post implantation

First Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation, April 16, 2002



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Within the last 10 years >70 new percutaneous valves and valve repair techniques have been developed



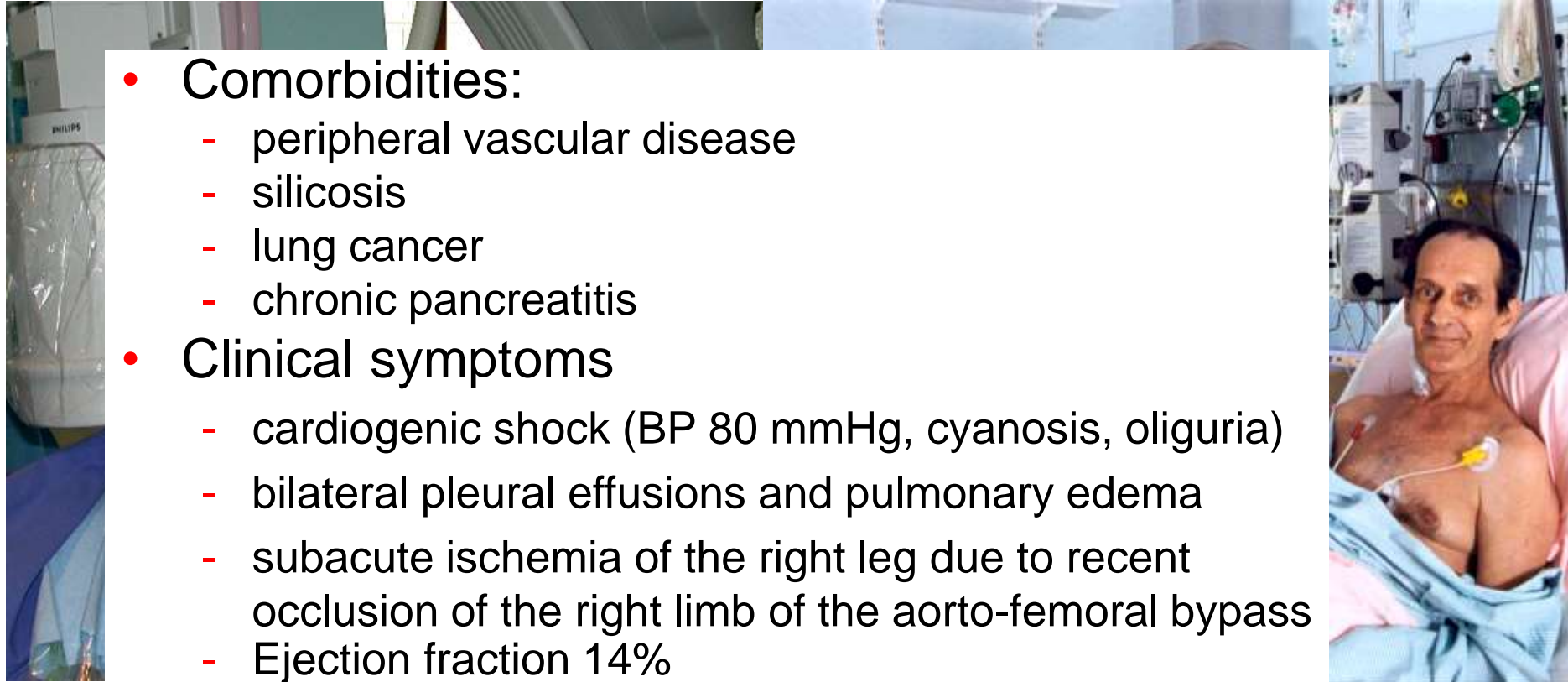
There was a major and
fundamental difference in how
TAVR developed compared to
other interventions

Most other cardiovascular interventions were initially used in relatively healthy patients

- 1921 Heart catheterization Werner Forßmann (self experiment)
- 1960 Surgical valve replacement 52 y/o patient without co-morbidities
- 1967 CABG 51 y/o female patient w/o co-morbidities
- 1974 Transcatheter ASD closure: 17 y/o otherwise healthy girl
- 1977 PCI 38 y/o patient, very low surgical risk
- 2003 First MitraClip 55 y/o healthy woman

In TAVR, the approach
was the other way
around

Alain Cribier: First TAVI April 16, 2002



- Comorbidities:
 - peripheral vascular disease
 - silicosis
 - lung cancer
 - chronic pancreatitis
- Clinical symptoms
 - cardiogenic shock (BP 80 mmHg, cyanosis, oliguria)
 - bilateral pleural effusions and pulmonary edema
 - subacute ischemia of the right leg due to recent occlusion of the right limb of the aorto-femoral bypass
 - Ejection fraction 14%
- Turned down by several cardiac surgical teams

In the early days of TAVR ...

... we showed more slides about comorbidities, risk factors and complications than about results of the procedure

Today

- TAVR has become a routine procedure in many cath-labs around the world
- Local anesthesia
- Less than 1 hour
- Mortality < 1%

TAVR with Sapien and Evolut have proven success in extreme, high, and intermediate risk patients

Extreme Risk



High Risk



Intermediate Risk



Transcatheter Aortic-Valve Implantation for Aortic Stenosis in Patients Who Cannot Undergo Surgery

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TAVR in low surgical risk?

This discussion is over!

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PARTNER 3 Study Design

Symptomatic Severe Aortic Stenosis

**Low Risk/TF ASSESSMENT by Heart Team
(STS < 4%)**

**1:1 Randomization
1000 Patients**

**TAVR
(SAPIEN 3 THV)**

**Surgery
(Surgical Bioprosthetic Valve)**

Follow-up: 30 day, 6 mos, and annually through 10 years

**PRIMARY ENDPOINT:
Composite of all-cause mortality, stroke, or CV re-hospitalization
at 1 year post-procedure**

Procedural & Hospital Findings

All differences in favor of TAVR

% or mean \pm SD

Variable	TAVR (N=496)	Surgery (N=454)	P-value
Conscious Sedation	65.1%	NA	NA
Procedure Time (min)	58.6 \pm 36.5	208.3 \pm 62.2	<0.001
Fluoroscopy Time (min)	13.9 \pm 7.1	NA	NA
Aortic Cross-Clamp Time (min)	NA	74.3 \pm 27.8	NA
Total CPB Time (min)	NA	97.7 \pm 33.8	NA
Median ICU Stay (days)	2.0	3.0	<0.001
Median Total LOS (days)	3.0	7.0	<0.001
Discharge to Home/Self-care	96.0%	73.1%	<0.001
Concomitant Procedures	7.9%	26.4%	<0.001

Procedural Complications

In-Hospital

Differences not significant but **all** are in favor of TAVR

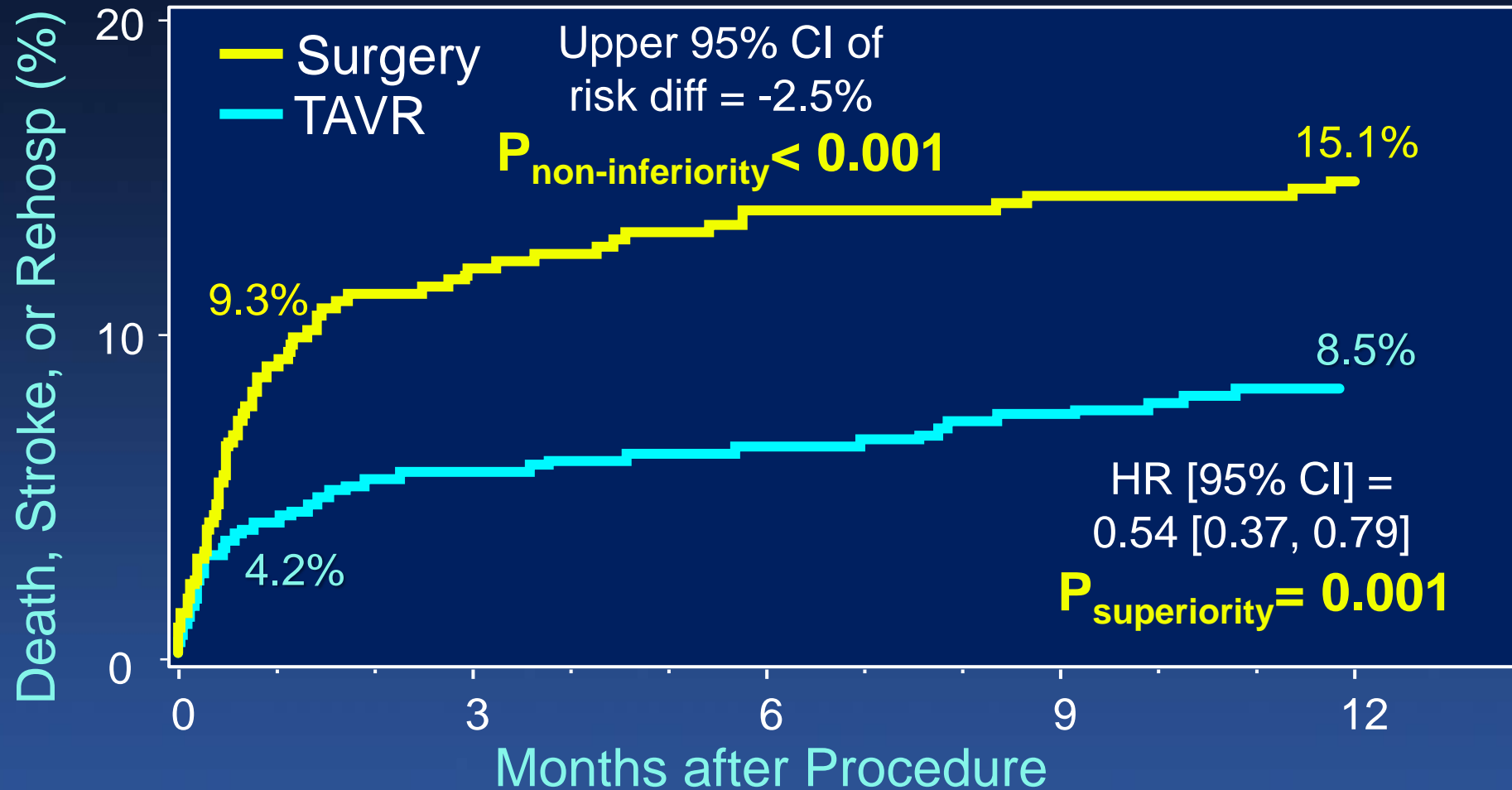
% or mean ± SD

Complication	TAVR (N=496)	Surgery (N=454)	P-value
In-hospital Death	0.4% (2)	0.9% (4)	0.43
≥ 2 Transcatheter Valves Implanted*	0.2% (1)	NA	NA
Valve Embolization	0	NA	NA
Aortic Dissection	0	NA	NA
Annular Rupture	0.2% (1)	NA	NA
Ventricular Perforation	0.2% (1)	0.4% (2)	0.61
Coronary Obstruction	0.2% (1)	0.4% (2)	0.61
Access Site Infections	0.4% (2)	1.3% (6)	0.16

*Valve-in-valve

Primary Endpoint

All-cause mortality, all strokes, or CV re-hospitalization at 1 year



Number at risk:

	0	3	6	9	12
Surgery	454	408	390	377	374
TAVR	496	475	467	456	451

Pre-specified Secondary Endpoints

Subject to Multiplicity Adjustment

Order of Testing	Endpoint	TAVR (N=496)	Surgery (N=454)	Treatment Effect [95% CI]	P-value
1	New onset atrial fibrillation at 30 days	5.0%	39.5%	0.10 [0.06, 0.16]	<0.001
2	Length of index hospitalization (days)	3.0 (2.0, 3.0)	7.0 (6.0, 8.0)	-4.0 [-4.0, -3.0]	<0.001
3	All-cause death, all stroke, or rehospitalizations at 1 year	8.5%	15.1%	0.54 [0.37, 0.79]	0.001
4	Death, KCCQ < 45 or KCCQ decrease from baseline ≥ 10 points at 30 days	3.9%	30.6%	-26.7% [-31.4%, -22.1%]	<0.001
5	Death or all stroke at 30 days	1.0%	3.3%	0.30 [0.11, 0.83]	0.01
6	All stroke at 30 days	0.6%	2.4%	0.25 [0.07, 0.88]	0.02

* P-value is Log-Rank test for items 1, 3, 5 and 6; P-value is Wilcoxon Rank-Sum Test for item 2; P-value is Fisher's Exact test for item 4

Other Secondary Endpoints

Outcomes	30 Days			1 Year		
	TAVR (N=496)	Surgery (N=454)	P-value	TAVR (N=496)	Surgery (N=454)	P-value
Bleeding - Life-threat/Major	3.6% (18)	24.5% (111)	<0.001	7.7% (38)	25.9% (117)	<0.001
Major Vascular Complics	2.2% (11)	1.5% (7)	0.45	2.8% (14)	1.5% (7)	0.19
AKI - stage 2 or 3*	0.4% (2)	1.8% (8)	0.05	0.4% (2)	1.8% (8)	0.05
New PPM (incl baseline)	6.5% (32)	4.0% (18)	0.09	7.3% (36)	5.4% (24)	0.21
New LBBB	22.0% (106)	8.0% (35)	<0.001	23.7% (114)	8.0% (35)	<0.001
Coronary Obstruction	0.2% (1)	0.7% (3)	0.28	0.2% (1)	0.7% (3)	0.28
AV Re-intervention	0% (0)	0% (0)	NA	0.6% (3)	0.5% (2)	0.76
Endocarditis	0% (0)	0.2% (1)	0.29	0.2% (1)	0.2% (1)	0.99
Asymp Valve Thrombosis	0.2% (1)	0% (0)	0.34	0.2% (1)	0% (0)	0.99

Most not different or in favor of TAVR except LBBB

Event rates are KM estimates (%) and p-values are based on Log-Rank test

* Event rates are incidence rates and p-value is Fisher's Exact test

Echocardiography Findings

Mean Gradient



No. of Echos

Surgery	441	426
TAVR	483	490

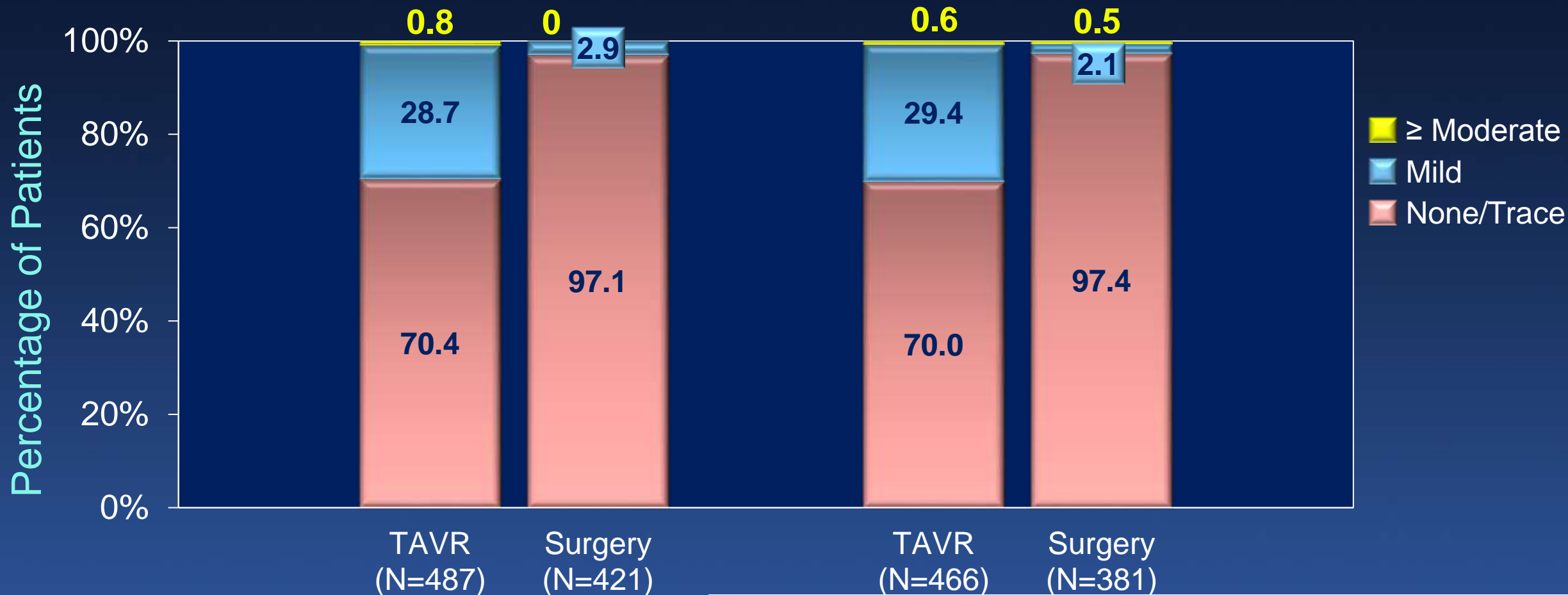
Significant but small difference in favor of Surgery

P-values are based on the ANCOVA for TAVR vs Surgery adjusted by baseline.

Paravalvular Regurgitation

≥ mod PVR: P = 0.13

≥ mod PVR: P = 1.00



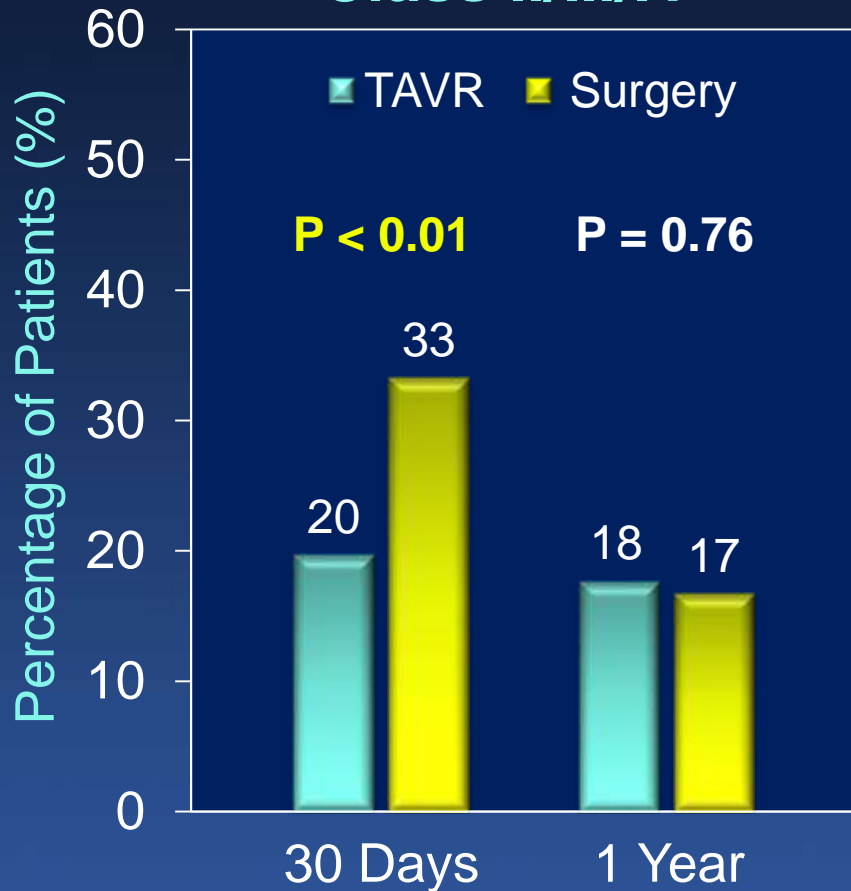
30 Days

Less paravalvular leaks after surgery
But most leaks are only mild

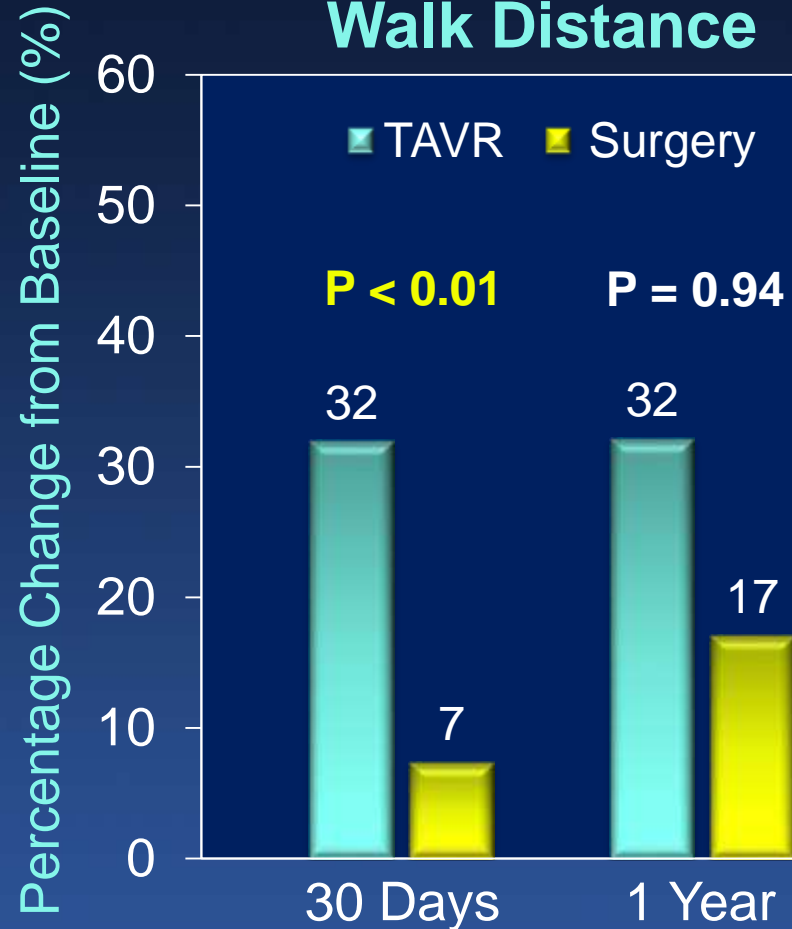
P-values are based on the Wilcoxon rank-sum test.

Functional Assessments

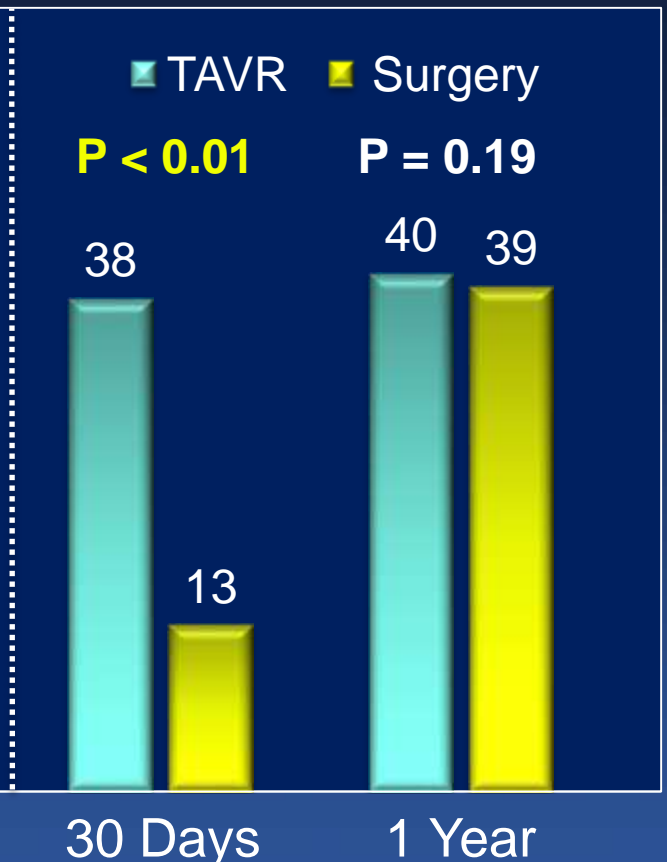
NYHA Class II/III/IV



Six-Minute Walk Distance



KCCQ Overall Summary Score

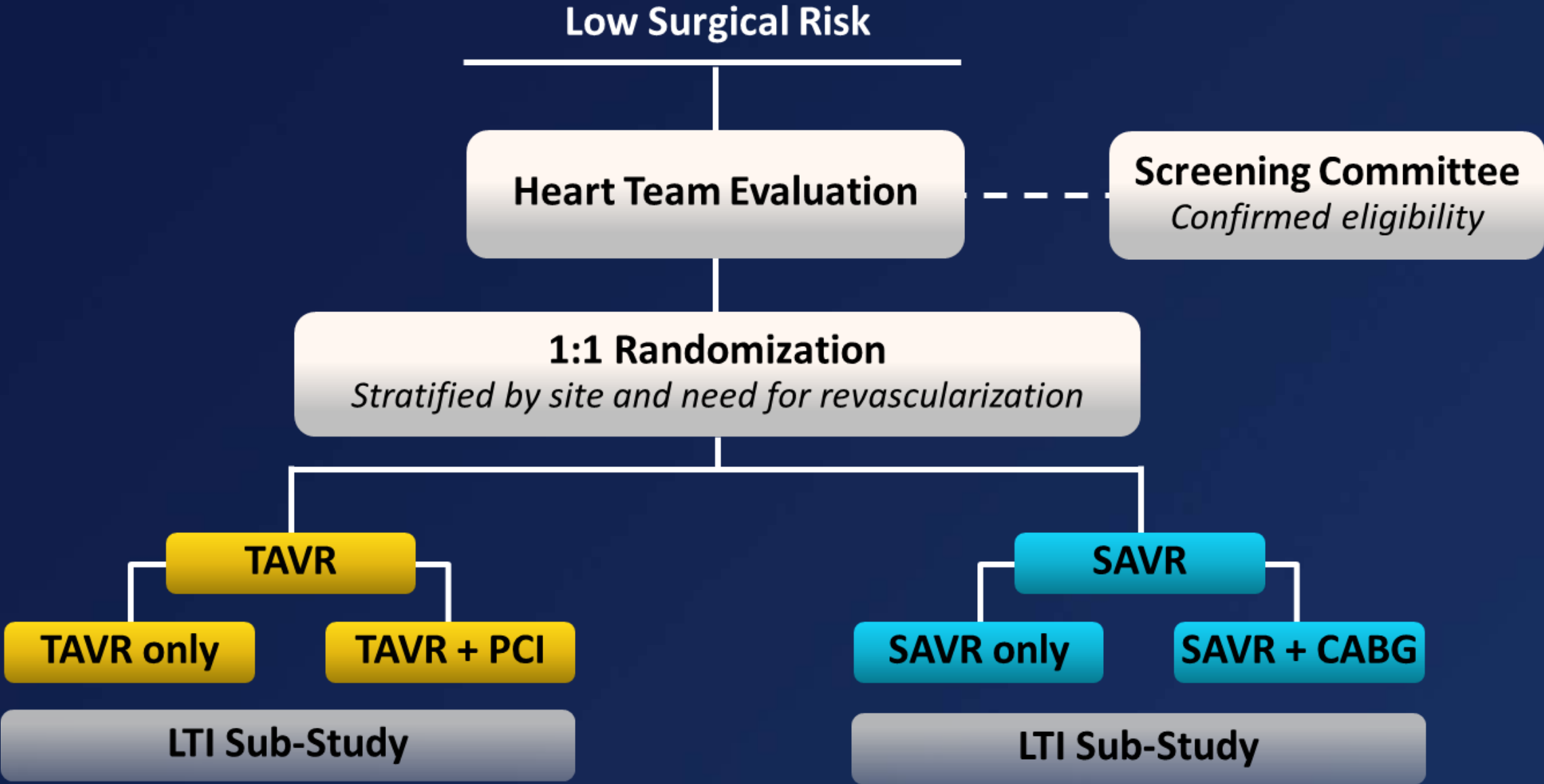


Of course patients feel better after TAVR!

And CoreValve Evolut?

Evolut Low Risk Trial

Study Design



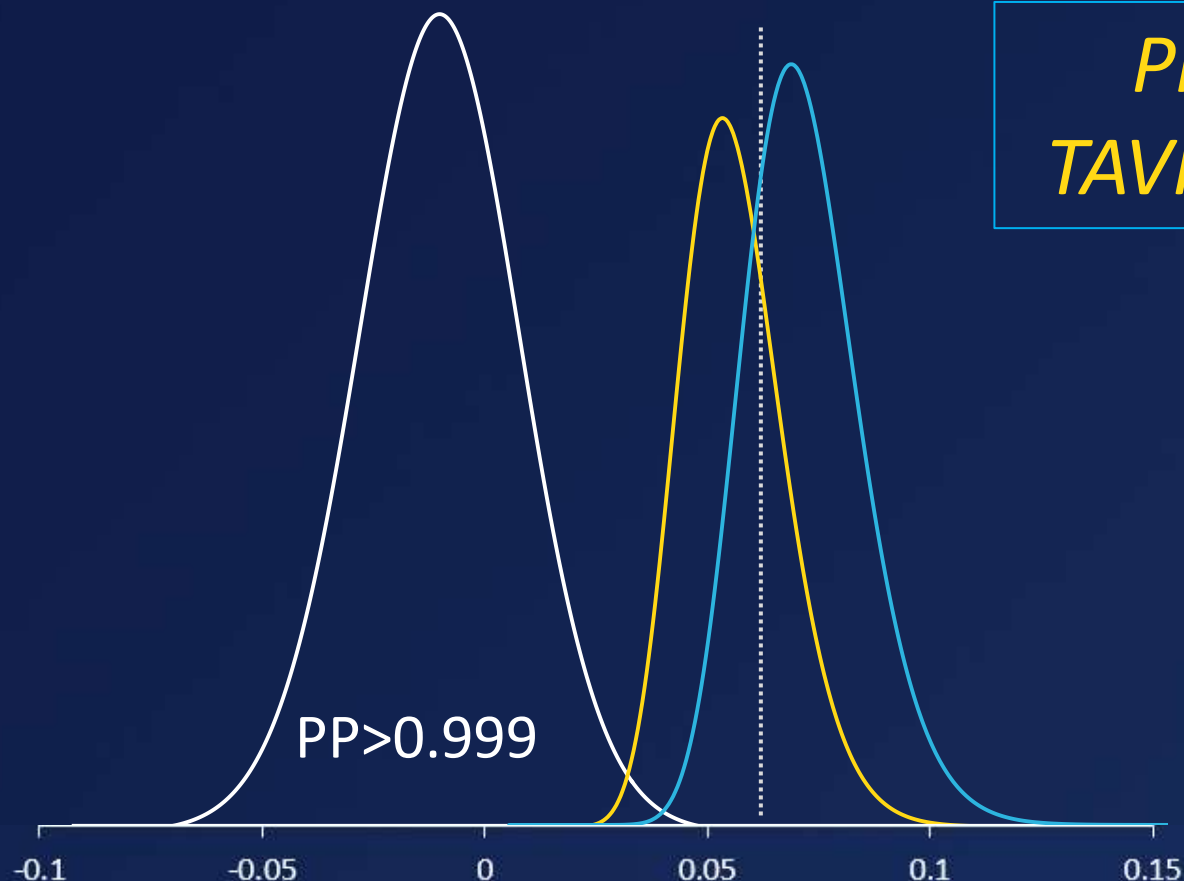
Primary Endpoint

All-Cause Mortality or Disabling Stroke at 2 Years

*Primary Endpoint Met
TAVR is noninferior to SAVR*

TAVR 5.3% **SAVR 6.7%**

Posterior probability of
noninferiority > 0.999



TAVR –SAVR difference = -1.4% (95% BCI; -4.9, 2.1)

Hierarchical Secondary Endpoints

All Noninferiority and Superiority Endpoints Met



	TAVR	SAVR	Difference TAVR–SAVR (90% BCI)	Posterior Probability	
Noninferiority (margin)					
Mean gradient at 12 months (5 mmHg)	8.6 ± 3.7	11.2 ± 4.9	-2.6 (-3.1, -2.1)	> 0.999	✓
Mean EOA at 12 months (0.1 cm ²)	2.3 ± 0.7	2.0 ± 0.6	0.3 (0.2, 0.4)	> 0.999	✓
Mean NYHA class change (12 months –Baseline) (0.375)	0.9 ± 0.7	1.0 ± 0.7	-0.1 (-0.2, 0.0)	> 0.999	✓
Mean KCCQ change (12 months –Baseline) (5)	22.2 ± 20.3	20.9 ± 21.0	1.3 (-1.2, 3.8)	> 0.999	✓
Superiority					
Mean gradient at 12 months, mmHg	8.6 ± 3.7	11.2 ± 4.9	-2.6 (-3.2, -2.0)	> 0.999	✓
Mean EOA at 12 months, cm ²	2.3 ± 0.7	2.0 ± 0.6	0.3 (0.2, 0.4)	> 0.999	✓
Mean KCCQ change (30 Days–Baseline)	20.0 ± 21.1	9.1 ± 22.3	10.9 (8.6, 13.2)	> 0.999	✓

Clinical Outcomes at 30 Days

Most parameters in favor of TAVR

Trial

Bayesian rates as %	TAVR (N=725)	SAVR (N=678)	(95% BCI for Difference)
30-Day composite safety endpoint*	5.3	10.7	(-8.3, -2.6)
All-cause mortality	0.5	1.3	(-1.9, 0.2)
Disabling stroke*	0.5	1.7	(-2.4, -0.2)
Life-threatening or disabling bleeding*	2.4	7.5	(-7.5, -2.9)
Acute kidney injury, stage 2-3*	0.9	2.8	(-3.4, -0.5)
Major vascular complication	3.8	3.2	(-1.4, 2.5)
Atrial fibrillation*	7.7	35.4	(-31.8, -23.6)
Permanent pacemaker implant*	17.4	6.1	(8.0, 14.7)
All-cause mortality or disabling stroke*	0.8	2.6	(-3.2, -0.5)
All stroke	3.4	3.4	(-1.9, 1.9)
Aortic valve reintervention	0.4	0.4	(-0.8, 0.7)

* Significantly favors TAVR; * Significantly favors SAVR

BCI = Bayesian credible interval

Clinical Outcomes at 1 Year

All parameters no difference or in favor of TAVR

Evolut™
Low Risk
Trial

Bayesian rates as %	TAVR (N=725)	SAVR (N=678)	(95% BCI for Difference)
All-cause mortality or disabling stroke	2.9	4.6	(-4.0, 0.4)
All-cause mortality	2.4	3.0	(-2.6, 1.3)
Cardiovascular mortality	1.7	2.6	(-2.7, 0.7)
All stroke	4.1	4.3	(-2.4, 1.9)
Disabling stroke*	0.8	2.4	(-3.1, -0.3)
Transient ischemia attack	1.7	1.8	(-1.6, 1.3)
Myocardial infarction	1.7	1.6	(-1.3, 1.5)
Endocarditis	0.2	0.4	(-0.9, 0.5)
Valve thrombosis	0.2	0.3	(-0.9, 0.5)
Aortic valve reintervention	0.7	0.6	(-1.0, 0.9)
Heart failure hospitalization*	3.2	6.5	(-5.9, -1.0)

* Significantly favors TAVR

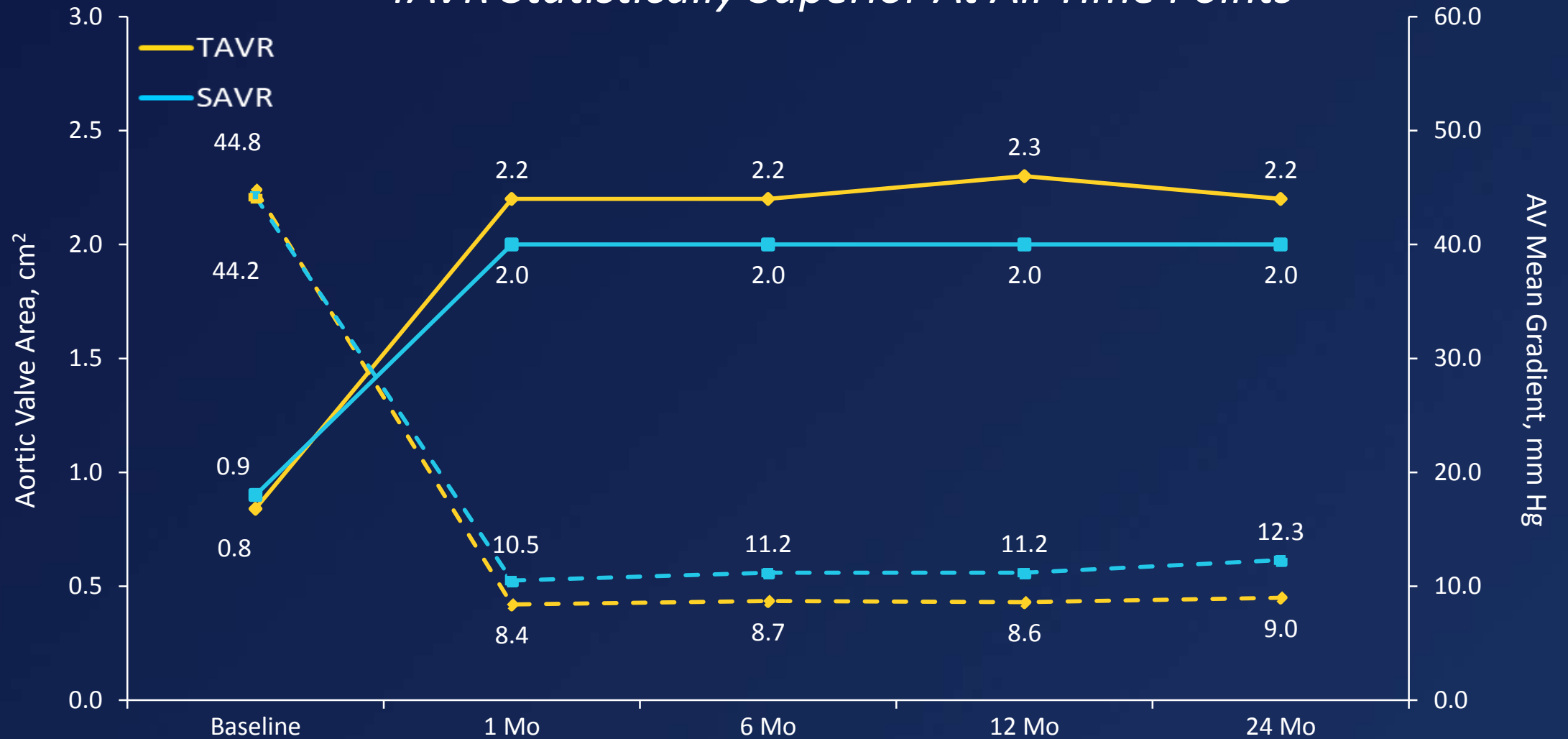
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Valve Hemodynamics

Better hemodynamics due to supra-annular design

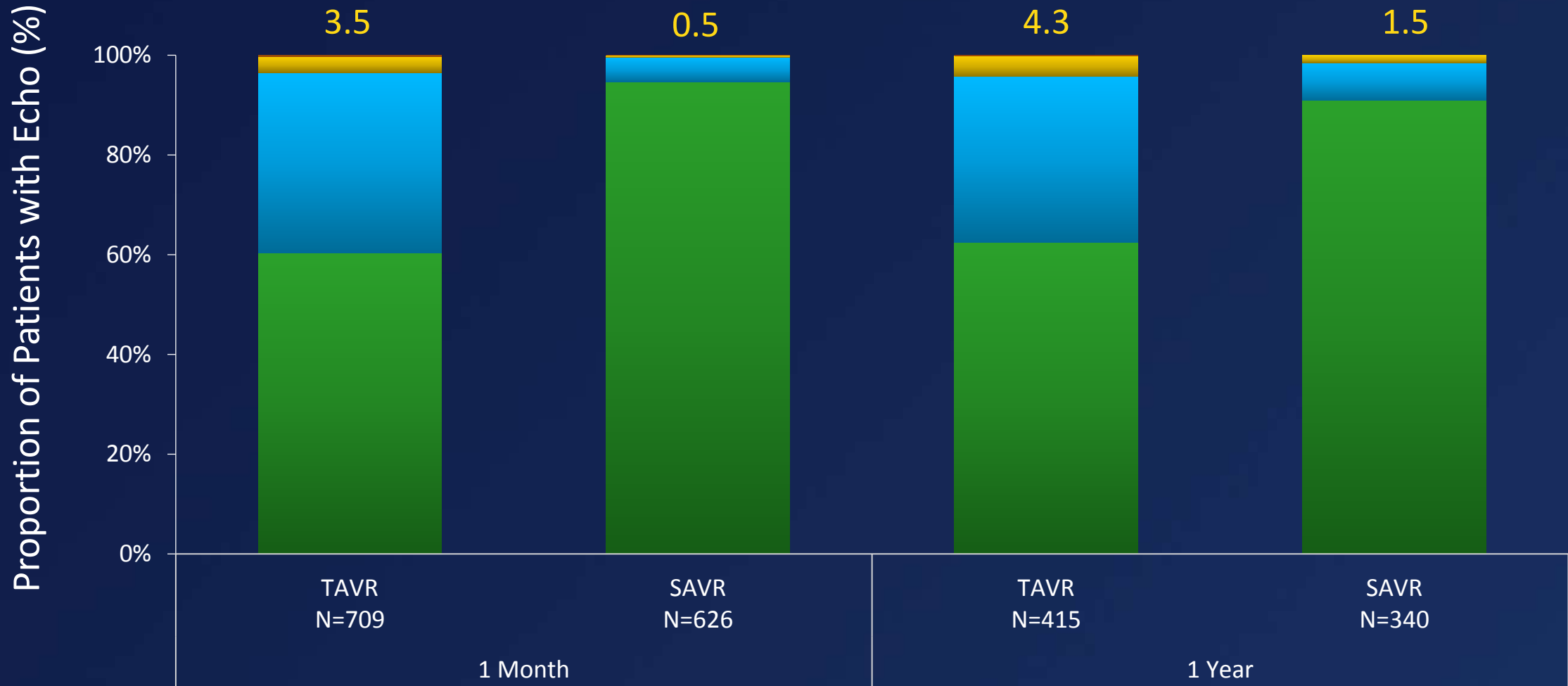
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TAVR Statistically Superior At All Time Points



Implanted population. Core lab assessments.

Total Aortic Valve Regurgitation









■ None/Trace

Less paravalvular leaks after surgery
But most leaks are only mild

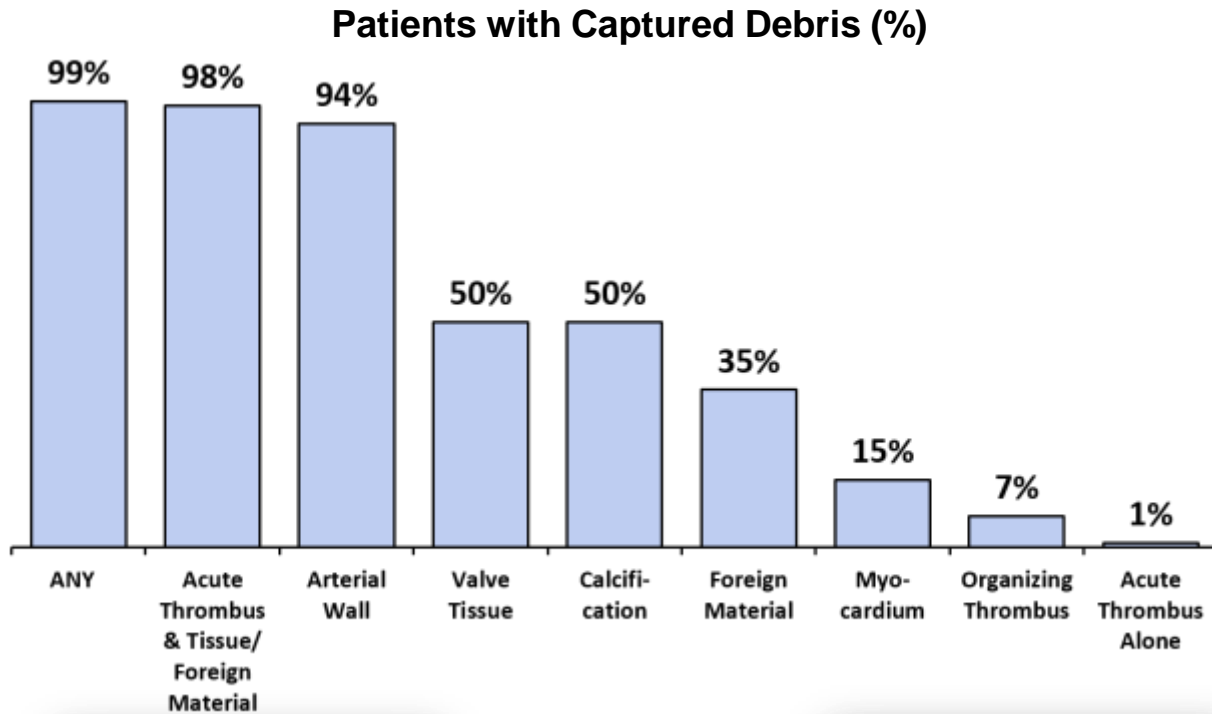
Many new TAVI valves have been developed

- Sapien 3
- Evolut R and Pro
- Lotus
- Acurate
- Portico
- Direct Flow
- Engager
- Jena Valve
- Centera
- Venus A Valve
- J – Valve
- NVT
- Venibri
- VitaFlow (Microport)
- Taurus One
- Trinity
- Colibri
- Inovare
- Thubrikar
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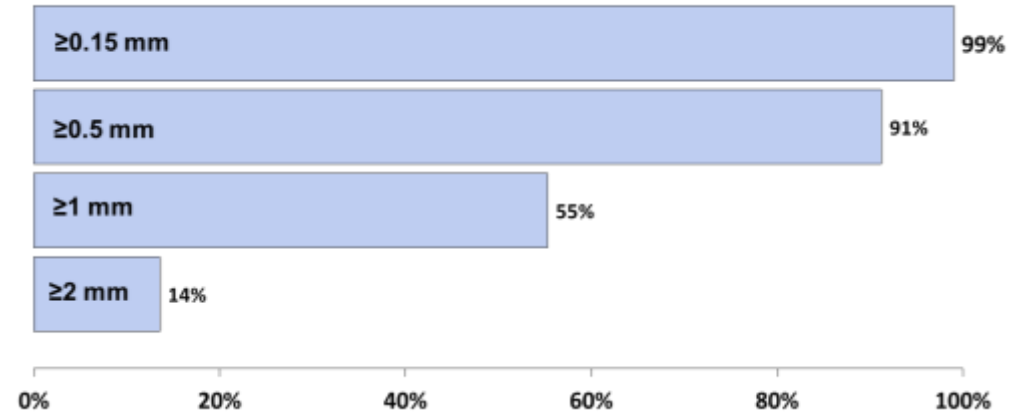
Emboli protection devices

Company and Product	Claret Medical Sentinel 	Keystone TriGuard 	Edwards Embrella 	ICS Emblok 	Transverse Point-Guard 	Protembis ProtEmbo 
EU Status	CE Mark	CE Mark	CE Mark	FIM first clinical case March 15, 2017	Pre-clinical/prototype	Pre-clinical/prototype
US Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SENTINEL IDE completed 2016 Positive FDA Panel - Feb 23, 2017 FDA Cleared - June 2017 	REFLECT IDE trial halted Aug 2017. Planning next trial (TRIFLECT)	No IDE yet	No IDE yet	No IDE yet	No IDE yet
Access	6 Fr Right Radial	9Fr TF	Right Radial	12Fr TF sheath	TF	6F TR
Debris	Captures and removes	Deflects downstream	Deflects downstream	Captures and removes	Deflects downstream	Deflects downstream
Placement and Interaction with TAVR devices	Not in aortic arch, minimizing device interaction	Sits in aortic arch. Devices must pass over and back across	Sits in aortic arch. Devices must pass over and back across	Deployed in ascending aorta. Does not protect during valve delivery and retrieval	Sits in aortic arch. Devices must pass over and back across	Sits in aortic arch. Devices must pass over and back across

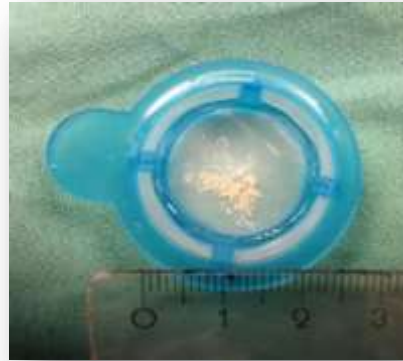
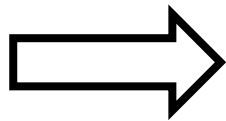
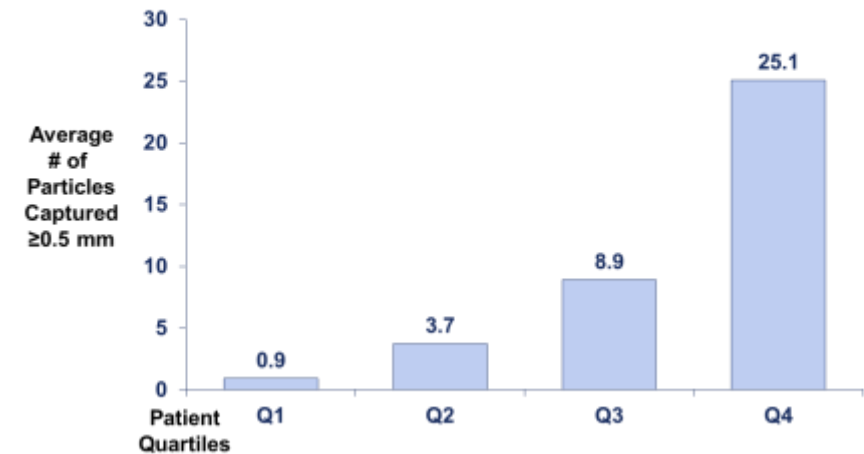
Sentinel™ captured debris in 99% of TAVI patients



Percent of Patients with at Least One Particle of Given Size



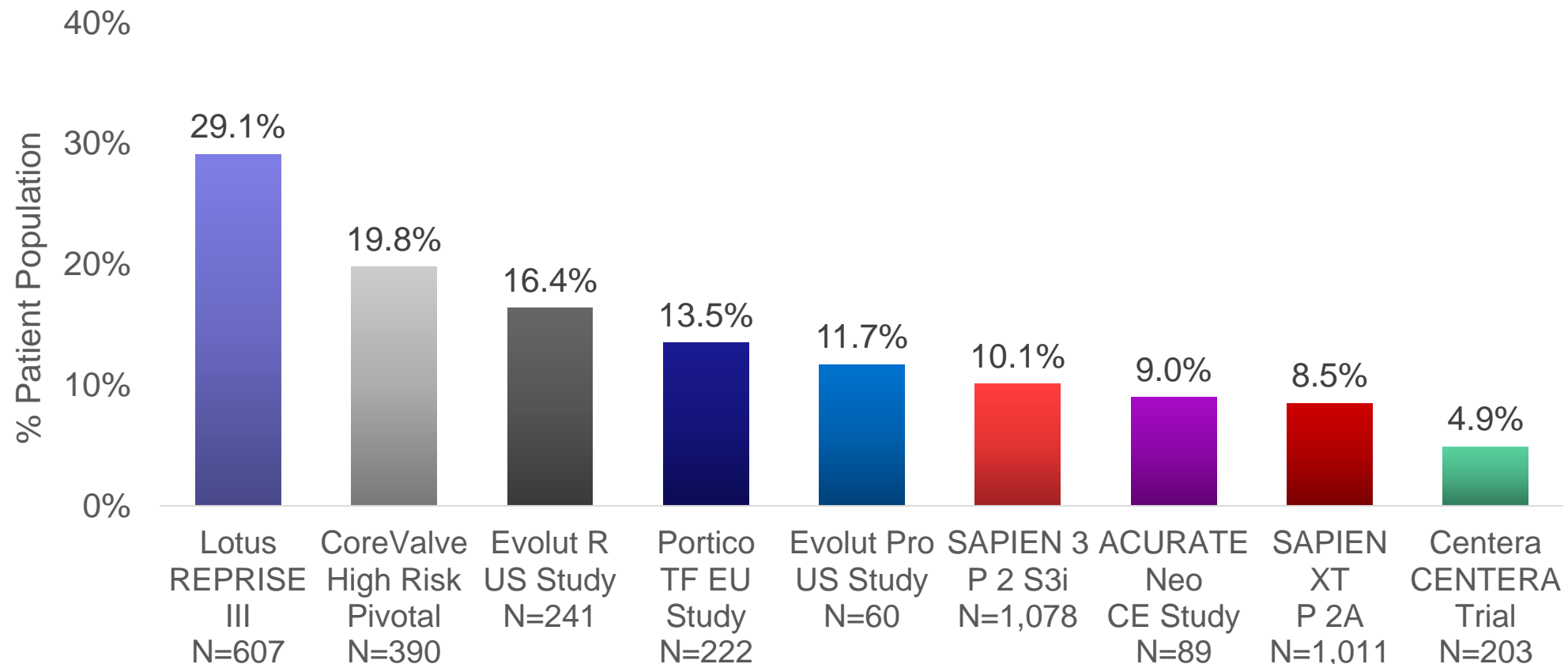
1 in 4 Patients had an average of 25 Particles ≥0.5 mm in Size Captured and Removed



Permanent Pacemakers rates in newer TAVI valves are decreasing

With the exception of some valve types

Rates
at 30
Days



¹Feldman, et. al. presented at EuroPCR 2017; ²Adams, et al., *N Engl J Med* 2014;370:1790-8; ³Popma, et al., *J Am Coll Cardiol Intv* 2017;10:268-75; ⁴ Mollmann, et al., *J Am Coll Cardiol Intv* 2017;10:1538-47; ⁵Kodali, et al., *Eur Heart J* 2016;37:2252-62; ⁶Mollmann, et al., *EuroIntervention* 2017; epub; ⁷Leon, et al., *N Engl J Med* 2016;374:1609-20; ⁸Tchetche, et al., presented at EuroPCR 2017; ⁹Forrest, presented at TCT 2017

SAPIEN Valve Evolution

Valve Technology

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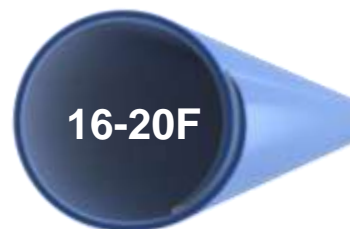
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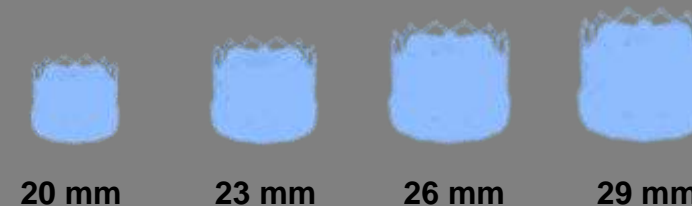
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Sheath Compatibility



Available Valve Sizes



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2011

PARTNER 2
2014

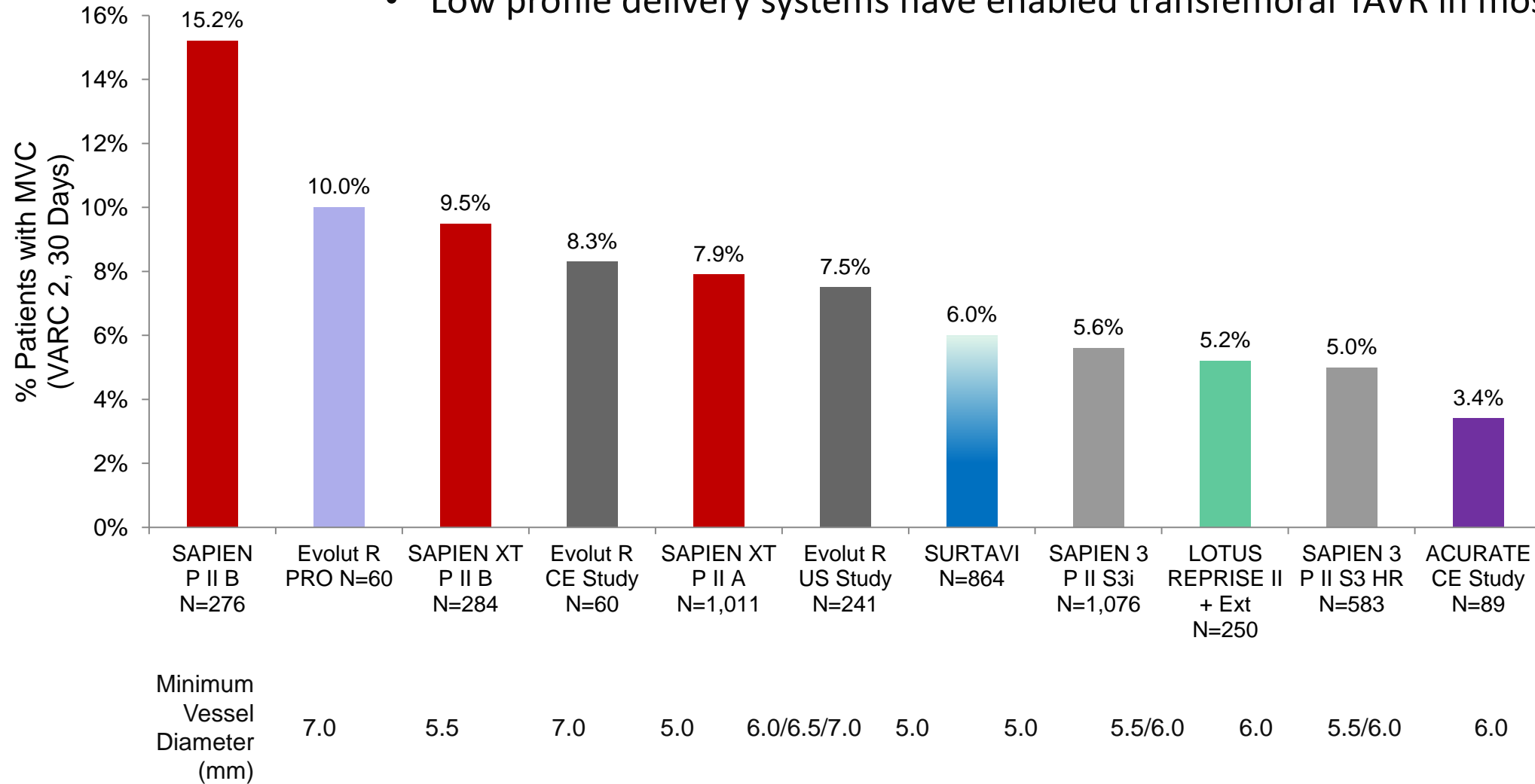
PARTNER 3
2015

FDA Approval of Valve:

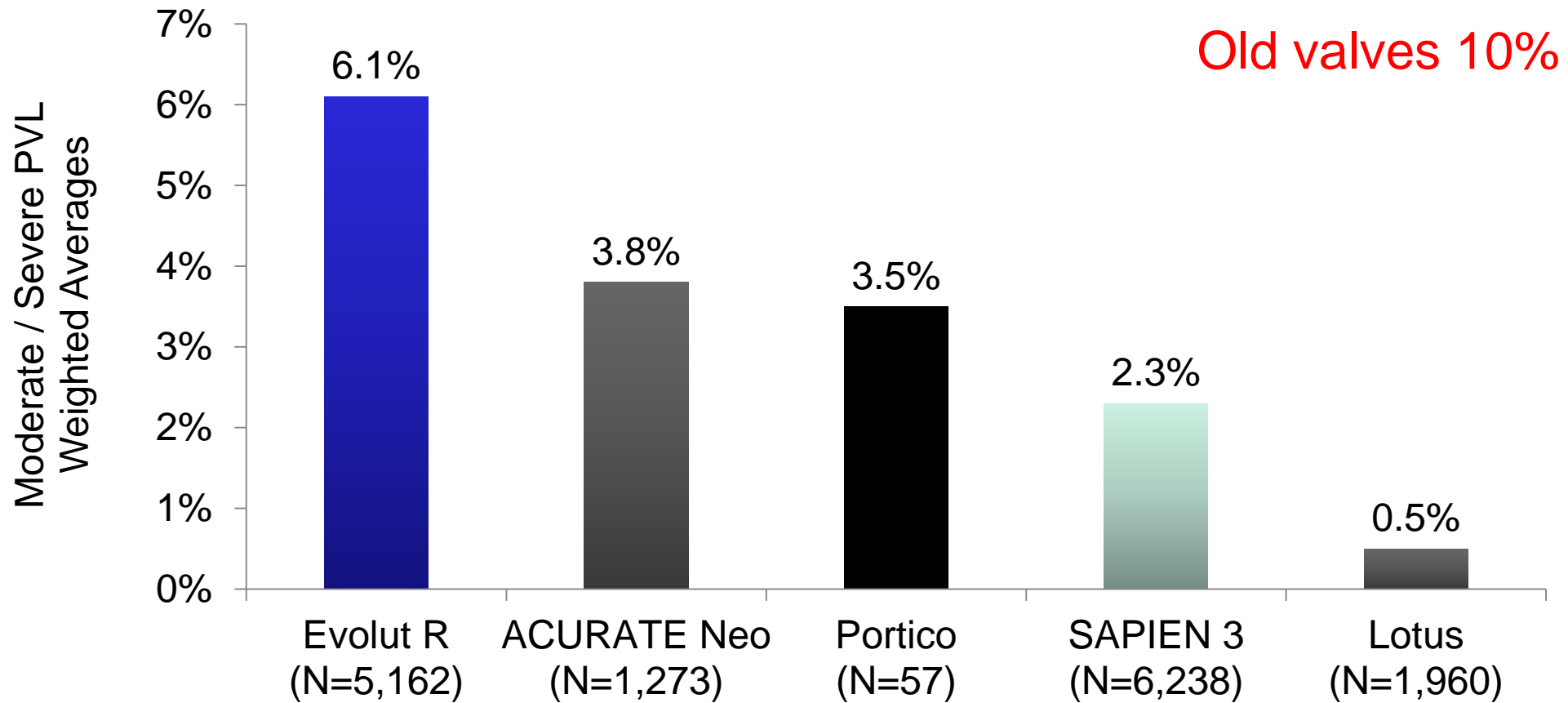
Major Vascular Complications have decreased substantially

Rates According to VARC 2

- Low profile delivery systems have enabled transfemoral TAVR in most patients



With newer valves we have seen lower rates of PVL



New Aortic Valvuloplasty Balloons

More stable, lower risk of annulus rupture or providing continuous blood flow.

TRUE Balloon



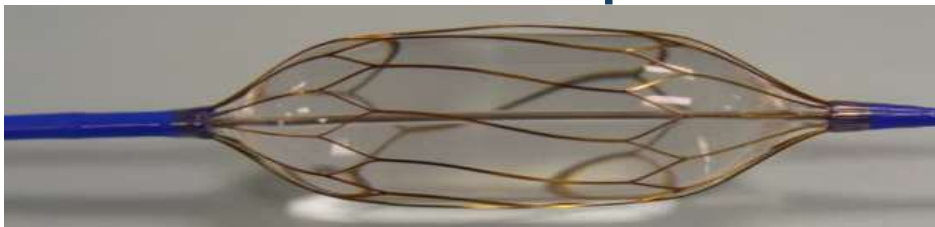
Non-compliant and rupture resistant sizing

V8 Balloon



Locks into annulus for stability and reduced risk of annular rupture

CardioSculpt



Improve stability

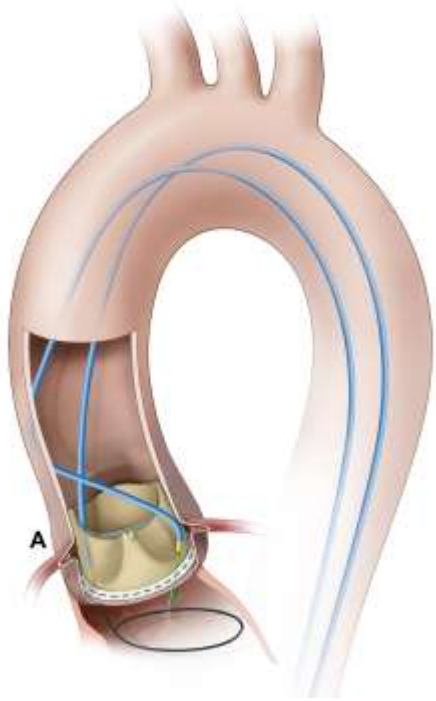
TRUE Flow Balloon



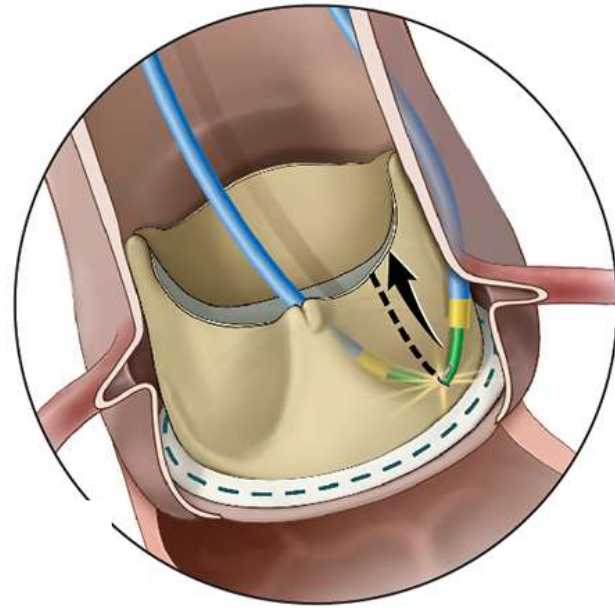
Provides continuous blood flow, rupture resistant

BASILICA technique for valve in valve

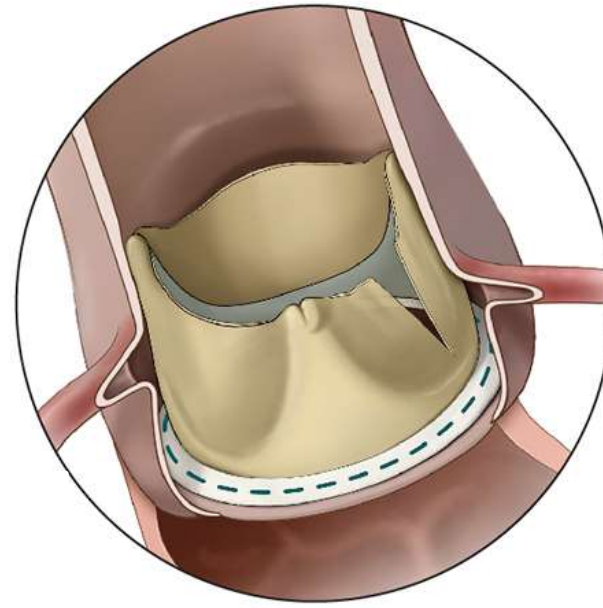
Reduces the risk of coronary obstruction post valve-in-valve



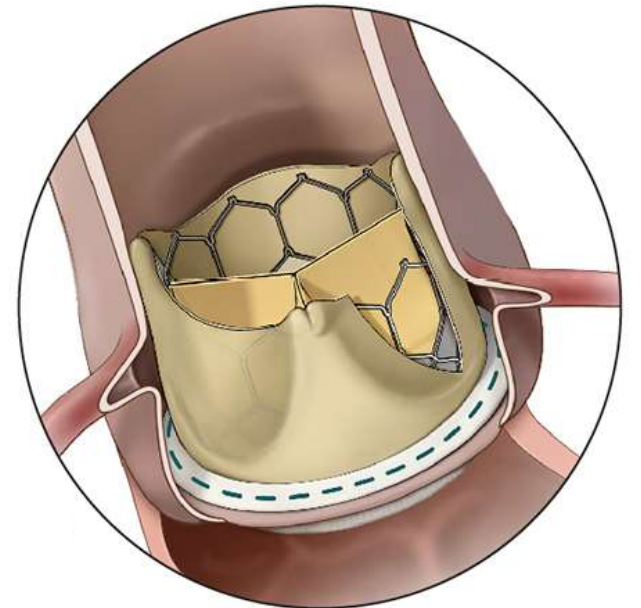
Leaflet wire traversal and snaring



Leaflet slicing



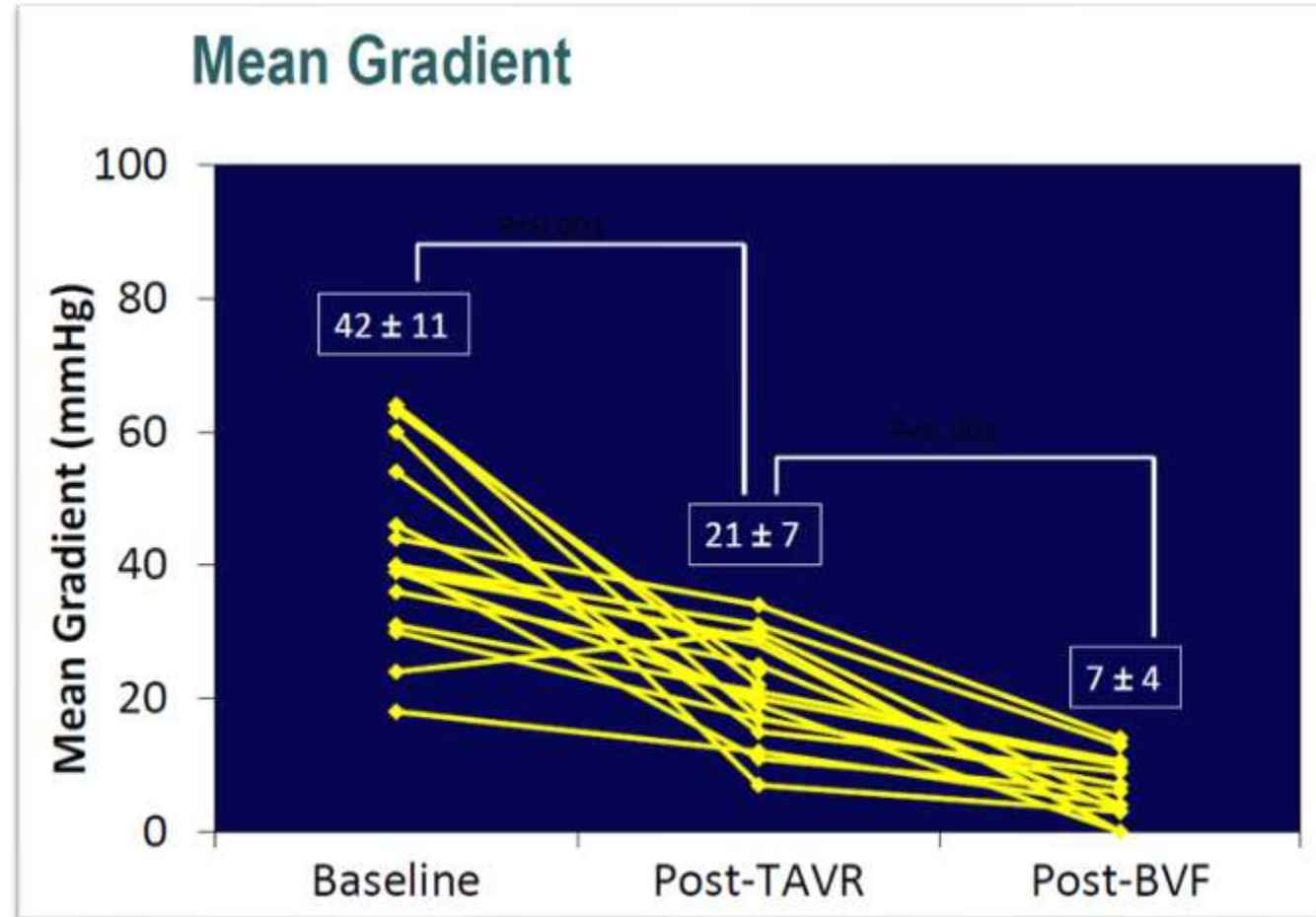
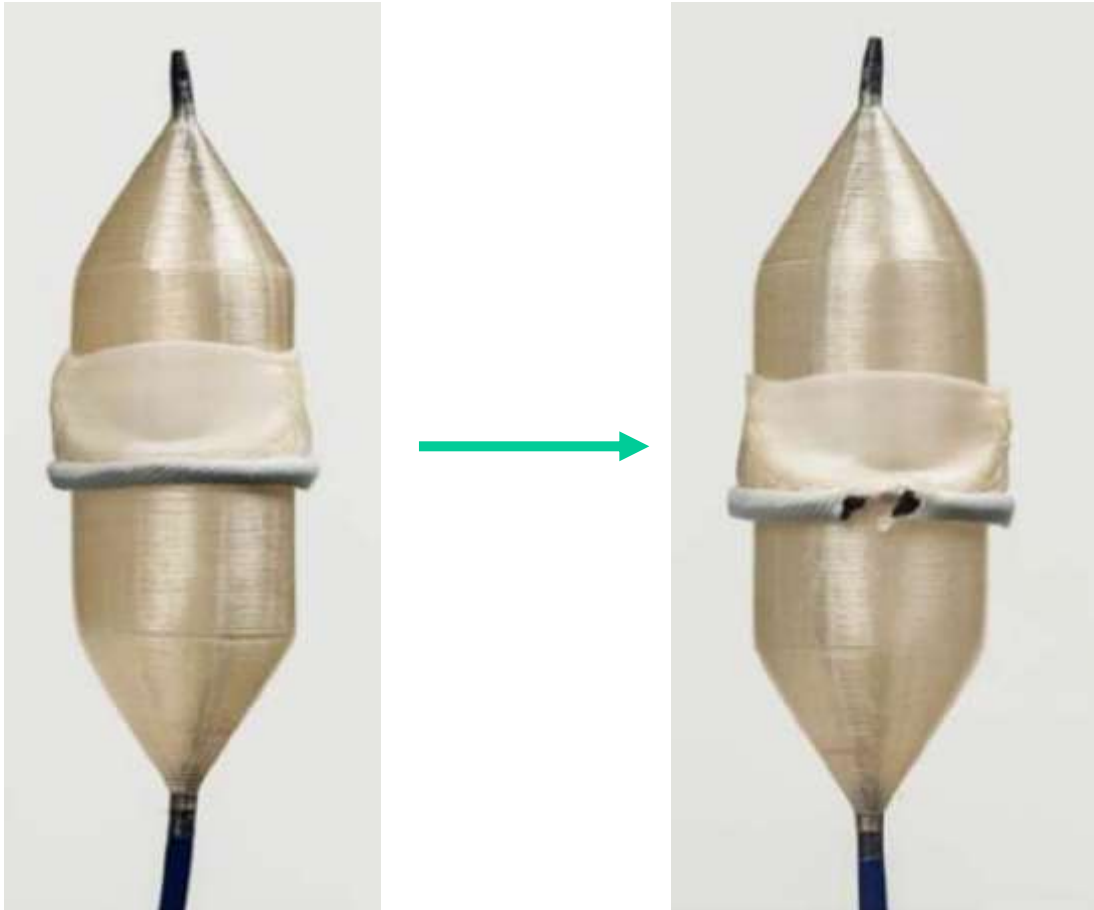
Sliced leaflet



Valve-in-Valve

Valve Cracking for valve in valve procedures

A technique in patients with small valves to improve gradients post valve-in-valve procedure.



What does all this mean?

- After > 15 yrs, TAVR has become mature
- It is now the gold standard in high-, intermediate- and low-risk patients
- But we are not at the end of a development!
- We are still at the beginning
 - like PCI in the 90s!